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DR. C. NATHAMUNI NAIDU :—" Is it a fact that the President has given unauthorized loans to most of his relatives ? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" These are common allegations with regard to the working of every co-operative society in this State. This allegation has been made with regard to this particular Society also. We are investigating the matter to find out if there is any truth in it."

DR. C. NATHAMUNI NAIDU :—" How many members of this Society have become defaulters? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I should like to have notice of this question."

Power laundries in the Tamil districts.

* 30 Q.—SRI M. ETHIRAJULU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries, Labour and Co-operation be pleased to state—

(a) how many power laundries are in the Tamil districts of the Madras State; and

(b) whether any investigation has been made in regard to the durability of the cloth washed by power laundry; and if so, with what result?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (a) There are ten power laundries in the Tamil districts of this State.

" (b) No investigation has so far been made on this subject."

SRI M. ETHIRAJULU :—" May I know whether the Government have received any representation from the public to the effect that the clothes washed by power laundry are damaged and, if so, what action do the Government propose to take? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" We have no such information."

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—" Is there not a power laundry in the Madras General Hospital? I believe the washing of the clothes there is excellently done? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" There is one power laundry in the Madras General Hospital."

Number of palmyra trees dried up in Tiruchendur taluk.

* 31 Q.—SRI S. B. ADITYAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether a large number of palmyra trees in Udangudi and Sattankulam firkas of Tiruchendur taluk, Tirunelveli district, have dried up and died owing to drought;

(b) if so, whether the Government will be pleased to lay on the table of the House a statement showing the number of palmyra trees (village-war) which have partly dried up and fully dried up in those two firkas;